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Applicant : Christoph Dorr
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For : BALL-AND-SOCKET METHOD
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PETITION TO EXTEND PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby requests a one (1) month extension of the period for response to the Office Action mailed August 2, 2001. The response date set in the Office Action was November 2, 2001. A response is being filed herewith today, November 30, 2001 which is within the first month after the response date. A check is enclosed in the amount of \$110.00, which is the fee required for a one month extension.

Accordingly, applicant hereby requests that the period for response be extended by one (1) month so that the response file herewith will be considered timely filed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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